

**PATENT**

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Title:	WASHING APPLIANCE	)
	WATER SOFTENER	)
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Applicants:	MAUNSELL et al.	)
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Art Unit:	1711	)
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated May 17, 2010, having a shortened statutory date for response set to expire on August 17, 2010, kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows: